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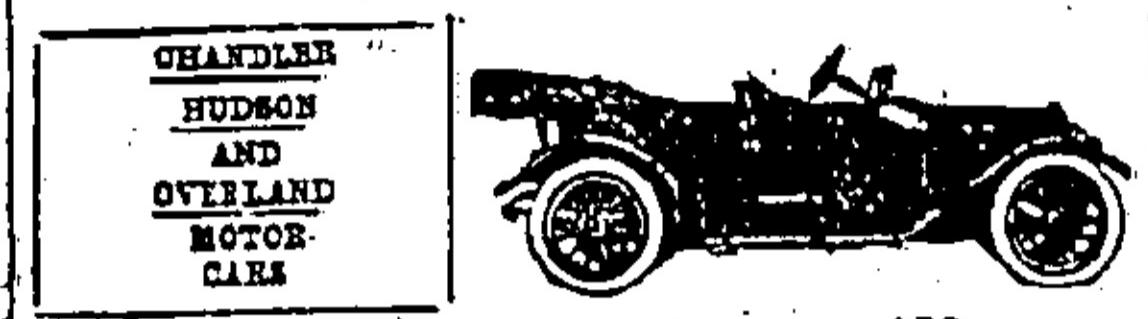
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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

THE FREE TRADE ISSUE

RAISED IN BUDGET DEBATE

TAX ON CHINA TEA THIN END OF CHAMBERLAIN WEDGE.

LONDON, May 1.

In the House of Commons during the debate on the Budget, Sir Donald McLean declared that the Imperial preference proposal was the start of a great system of tariff reform which must include food taxes.

Mr. Chamberlain, interrupting, said it was no part of the Government's proposal to impose new taxes on food.

Sir Donald McLean declared that the tea preference would irritate China and possibly affect our trade relations and exports. The Dominions had little to do with export manufacturers. He and his supporters would fight the proposal, which would smash Free Trade.

Lieut.-Col. Amery said a policy of imperial preference was advocated by the imperial conferences, by more than one royal commission, and by all the Dominion governments. We might hope as a result of this small measure to get an increase, not necessarily of protection in the United Kingdom, but of inter-imperial free trade between the Dominions and the Mother Country and between one Dominion and another. Surely that was a worthy object.

A "TIMES" COMMENT.

The Times says the introduction of imperial preference marks an epoch in the history of British Budgets, and hopes it will be generally accepted on its merits without undue association with larger controversies.

Col. Amery said there was a very strong body of free-traders in Canada who wanted Free Trade in certain categories fifty per cent. preference within the Empire. He opined that if this policy had been carried out in 1903 we should not have had the very heavy war time food prices. The world had moved in the last sixteen years. Canada was becoming a great industrial and manufacturing country. She would be capable under substantial preference in the next few years of supplying quite as much effective competition to keep our manufacturers alive as any free-trader could desire.

Col. Amery declared that a preference import on manufactures would be of appreciable value to Canada which was becoming a great manufacturing country. It was not a gift to any of the Dominions but embodied a principle which would be incalculably valuable in the future. Continuing, Col. Amery emphasised the great potential value of preference to the empire overseas. For instance, only seven per cent. of our total consumption of sugar came from the empire but the overseas empire could produce enough sugar for five United Kingdoms. The empire produced only two per cent. of the tobacco we consumed, yet South Africa, Rhodesia, Nyasaland, the West Indies, and possibly Nigeria, certainly India, could produce all our requirements. That was the goal placed before growers throughout the empire. As regards tea, the result of a twopenny reduction would be to lower consumers' prices and improve the quality. We were entering upon a new period in the history of the empire and would progress only if these problems were regarded from the viewpoint of wider unity of the empire.

"DOMINION QUARTERS"
PLEASED.

Reuter learns there is a general feeling of satisfaction in Dominion quarters with the movement towards imperial preference. Sir George Perley said the government and people of Canada will be much pleased at Britain adopting the principle of empire preference. He opined it would cause increased trade between various parts of the empire, and afford Canada an opportunity of supplying goods to British markets which formerly came from enemy countries. It is a step towards making the empire self-supporting.

Hon. W. P. Schreiner said all parts and all people of South Africa would welcome this first step in the direction they had long hoped to see the Mother Country moving. It afforded an opportunity for South African wines and spirits and was likely to be productive of great mutual benefit. He hoped the step would result in strengthening empire relations.

Sir Thomas Mackenzie said the step was in the direction of the aspirations of New Zealand. He hoped the new departure, which was at present limited, would develop. Anyhow it would enable the British people to negotiate with other nations on a more equitable basis.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

GERMAN DOINGS.

LONDON, May 1.

It is reported from Vienna that the Hungarian government is overthrown. Berlin newspapers state that the People's Commissaries for food, war, and foreign affairs have arrived at Vienna with their families, thus indicating flight from Budapest.

The Spartacist committee at Munich has offered a cessation of fighting if Hoffman's troops are guaranteed not to enter the city. The government troops refused and demanded unconditional surrender.

Latest reports from Berlin and Munich say the Spartacists everywhere are retreating. The Red Army is gradually approaching dislocation.

Government troops have penetrated Munich defences from the north. Severe fighting continued at night time around the railway station. Many workers surrendered their arms. The disintegration of the Red Army is proceeding rapidly. The majority of the inhabitants welcomed the government men. Many of them participated in the fighting against the Reds. It is reported that the Spartacists murdered a number of prominent hostages, including Count Bothmer.

THE BOLSHEVIST WAR.

LONDON, May 1.

The Bolsheviks are evacuating Petrograd on April 29. Finlanders expect the fall of Petrograd in a few weeks.

TROTsky IN A HURRY.

LONDON, May 1.

Copenhagen learns from Libau that the Russian Soviet government is making extraordinary efforts to secure troops for an offensive against general Kolchak. Trotsky has appealed for swift and thorough action as it is necessary to defeat General Kolchak in the shortest possible time.

LONDON, May 1.

In the House of Commons Mr. Harmsworth in reply to a question said negotiations were being conducted for the exchange of all British naval, military and civilian prisoners at present in the hands of the Russian Bolsheviks.

Libau reports that the situation is acute. The attempted appointment of the new cabinet failed. A prominent Lutheran pastor nominated as premier promptly refused. Meanwhile the Allies are withholding food supplies. The danger of civil war is growing.

Copenhagen learns from Riga that there is terrible misery in Riga. Ten thousand people of all nationalities whom the Bolsheviks banished to the islands of the Dvina without assistance, and scantily clad, will succumb unless help of the speediest is sent. The Baltic Women's Association has appealed for help to all the Red Cross societies.

PRESENTING THE PEACE TERMS.

DESCRIPTION.

LONDON, May 2.

Paris reports that the ceremony of the verification of credentials on May 1 lasted five minutes and was most dignified and noteworthy. M. Jules Cambon, who was ambassador at Berlin in 1914 was the Allied spokesman. Count Rantzaus entering the hall of the Trianon palace, was visibly affected.

M. Cambon intimated that he was appointed to receive and examine credentials before the deliberations which it was hoped would lead to peace. Count Rantzaus replied simply, and presented Herr Landsberg, wheretofore M. Cambon presented his Allied colleagues. The German credentials were countersigned by Ebert and Scheidemann and sealed with the word "Reich" German for empire.

PARIS CONFERENCE.

LONDON, May 1.

Paris reported yesterday that the Council of Three was occupied with the financial claims of Belgium. Simultaneously a council of ministers was held at Brussels presided over by the King, whereat the Cabinet was informed of the exchange of views yesterday between the Belgian plenipotentiaries and the Council of Three at Paris. It was decided that Ministers Jaspar, Renkin, and Rantzaus should return immediately to Paris to define the instructions to the delegates.

GERMANY MAY JOIN THE LEAGUE IN A YEAR.

New York reports that Lord Robert Cecil will probably be the British representative of the organizing committee of the League of Nations. It is possible Germany will be admitted to the League after a short probation, probably a twelve month, on the ground of the beneficial influence of the League in moulding the new Germany.

London, May 2.

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LABOUR DAY IN U.S.A.

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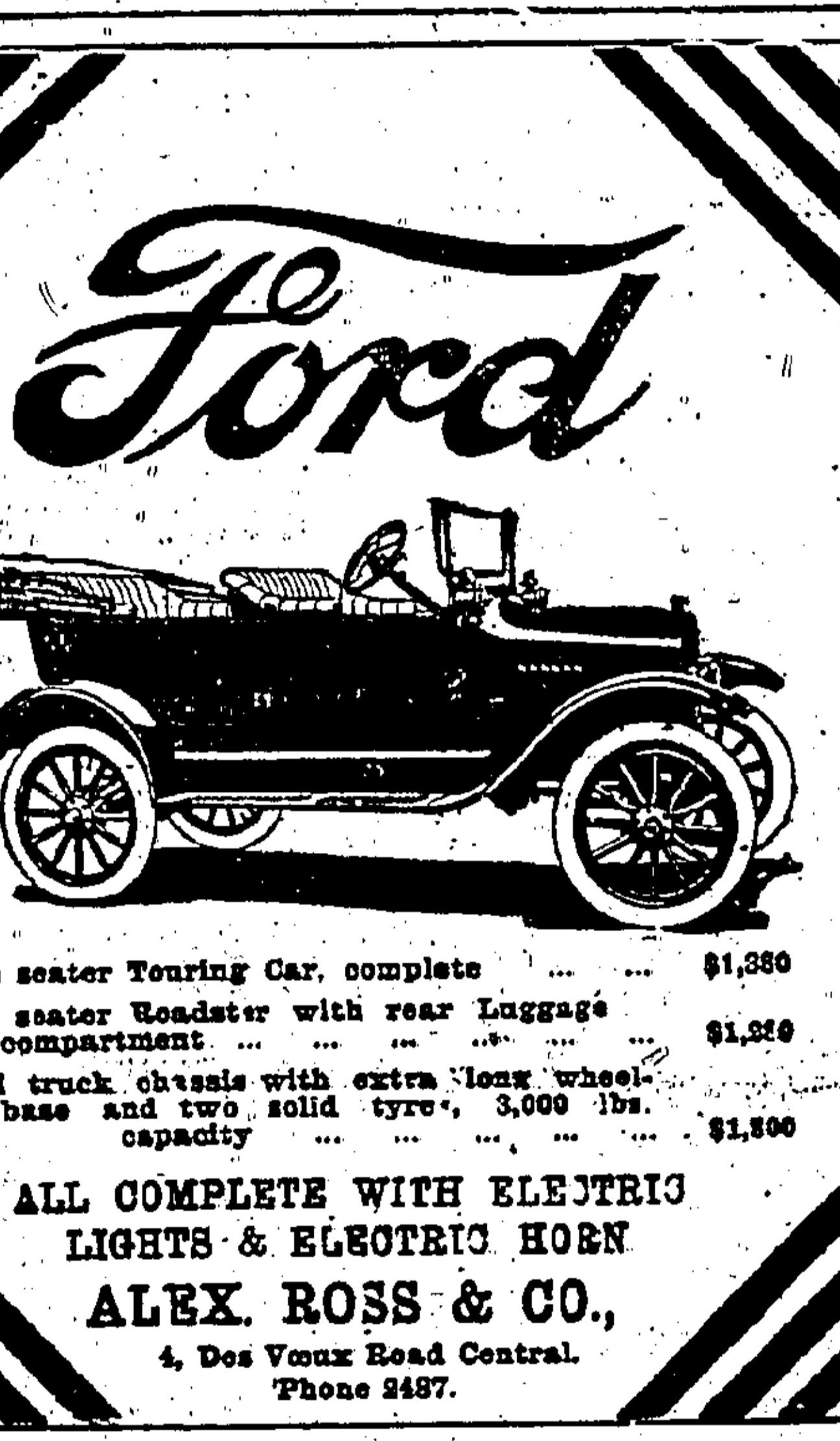
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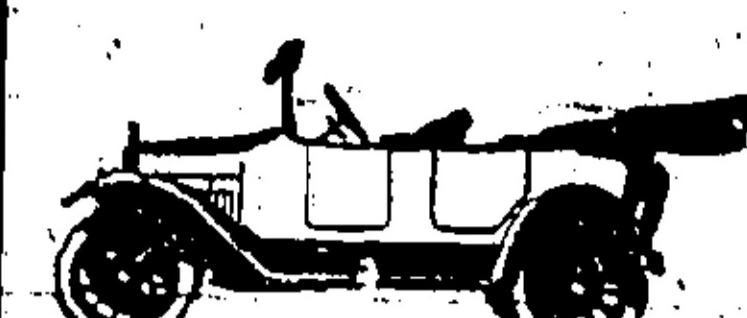
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presenting the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of Accounts
to February 28, 1919, and electing
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CROWN COLONY AND TARIFF PROTECTION.

At a farewell luncheon on May 6, at which the Malayan States Chamber of Commerce entertained the retiring High Commissioner, who is also governor of the Straits Settlements, Sir Arthur Young made a speech ostensibly in favour of imposing import duties on articles which might be manufactured locally. This utterance is certain to attract considerable attention, because Malaya, like Hongkong, has thrived on a "Free Trade" policy. We think the speech should not be taken too seriously. We think Sir Arthur Young did not mean it to be so taken. In the first place, it was made at a luncheon in the club, in reply to a toast. In the second, it was frankly jocular. And in the third place, Sir Arthur was conspicuously careful to remind his auditors more than once that his words, his "views," were in no way binding on his successor. It is difficult to see how he could have talked in any other way, at a luncheon. He was the guest of the business community, whose spokesman had particularly enquired whether Government support could be relied upon in establishing local manufacturing industries. The attitude of the Government towards the two great productions of the country, tin and rubber, has been such as to make an enquiry like that inevitable. Tin and rubber have been its milk cows. It seems to us that the question hinted at more at direct subsidies than at the indirect support of protection—a proposal that would be startling, but less shocking to old hands than the departure from the wise policy of Sir Stamford Raffles. Sir Arthur Young, however, was in an expansive and (non-committally) generous mood. He said:

I would say further that in addition to imposing an import duty the Government—and when I say the Government I say I am not binding in any way my successor (laughter)—the Government would be quite willing to consider and to give any other reasonable facilities that could be given. I see that the chairman has referred to Jamaica. Well, I do not know what the circumstances of Jamaica—whether Government put up that £250,000 or on what conditions I do not know, but I am certain that the Government here are quite willing to put—I do not say put up, and not get back anything (laughter) would be quite willing to put up £250,000 to establish an industry. (Applause.)

Subsidies are more Japanese or German than British, but we are not averse from them. They have been useful before now, and as the Federal Government of Malaya has even been doing a little "state trading" (commercial manufacturing) on its own account, the offer of subsidies is not such a significant departure as tariff protection was. On this Sir Arthur Young said:

I have been asked my views on certain matters. When I give my views it must not be thought that I am binding in any way my successor. (Laughter.) I am not doing so, and I do not suppose he would be bound by what I say. The first point which the chairman referred to was whether Government support could be relied upon in establishing local manufacturing industries. The answer is, shortly: of course, it can be relied upon. (Hear, hear.) I am prepared in order to establish local industries, industries which there is every prospect can be established, to impose an import duty on the article which it is proposed to turn out locally. (Applause.) I should only impose that duty for a certain term of years. If the industry could not be established within that term of years, then I consider that it is an industry which would not be worth subsidising. (Hear, hear.)

It was following that that he said the piece previously quoted. As we have said, we are not prepared as yet to take these utterances in the light of serious proposals. Not only the new Governor and High Commissioner, but the Council, official and unofficial, to say nothing of the Press and public of Malaya, will have something to say before it comes to that. It would seem, however, *prima facie*, that if a local industry, manufacturing goods which come from elsewhere have to pay insurance and freight, could not establish itself with an initial protective tariff, it would scarcely deserve such artificial encouragement. If an article of popular consumption cannot be produced locally at a profit, when free of all the middlemen's charges by which imports are already handicapped, then we should say the consuming public would not be greatly advantaged by its encouragement on the lines suggested. While we are anxious to encourage more and more manufacturers to establish themselves in Hongkong, it is from that angle—the good of the public—that the *China Mail* would view any local proposals to bribe them on lines in accordance with the "views" of Sir Arthur Young of Singapore. Imagine our position in the case of some article of popular consumption for which the shipper, the insurer, the importer, and the retailer already make up £250,000 to establish an industry. (Applause.)

The suggestion has been made that a new instinct is evolving. It is suggested that there is growing an instinctive aversion from the infliction of pain. Not an inculcated compassion, but a rooted instinct against causing pain. The gardener—even the lady gardener—can take the life of a weed without any feeling of compunction, but so runs the argument, every civilized person has an inhibition to overcome before he or she can kill an animal. Woman,

many men, dislike to crush a cockroach. Even the hardened angler is conscious of a certain repugnance when threading a worm on his hook. The power to feel pain vicariously is an approaching fact of Evolution, is beginning to make its appearance as an instinct of human nature. It is (according to this pleasant hypothesis) the ultimate foundation of civilization, the ultimate foundation of civilization, thus imaginative capacity to feel the pain experienced by others. We are reminded that it has abolished cock-fighting, bear baiting, bull fighting, badger drawing, the cruel forms of cruelty. It has made pugilism unfashionable, except as camouflaged. And it now aims at eliminating War . . .

It is plausible, but alas! we may as well confess that we cannot accept it. It is true that we feel repugnance on observing, or in some cases on imagining, pain in others; but Descartes would explain that differently. It all comes back eventually to our egotism. We shrink from the sight of that which would be, or which we think would be, unpleasant to feel. Obscurely, subconsciously, death shocks us because it is something which can happen to ourselves. The contemplation of pain hurts us because we are suddenly made aware, even though we do not consciously entertain it as a thought, that the pain itself could hurt us. We can all lightly inflict pain when we are not obliged to witness it. We say of dividends that come from hurtful occupations, *non iste*. With a vote, a cheer, a patriotic song even, suddenly demanded. His companion suggested that one of those ready-made ties would save trouble. "No. If we must wear them, we may as well wear the right kind," retorted the impatient one, and was swiftly ashamed.

He realized on the instant that to be logically minded enough to see the folly of collars, a purposeless article of attire, while entertaining the prejudice against ready-made ties was a weakness. To be quite fair to himself, he recognized also that a diminution of the trouble would not answer his objection, which was the utter absence of purpose in the collar. When a dog wears a collar there is a reason for it. It makes it convenient to tie the dog up, to restrict its liberty. A collar restricts a man's liberty and comfort—for all men enjoy the loose and open neck in hot weather—without his being tied by anything more tangible than a stupid sequaciousness to custom—or, in this man's case, by an equally stupid fear of the criticism of the majority who do not think there is such a thing as the collar question, and who are slaves to the custom of wearing them.

Bolsheviks, they say, have banned the collar. Is it possible that they are intellectually awake to its absurdity? That is not likely. More probably they recognise it as a badge of the *bourgeoisie*, and hate what it stands for. More probably still, the story may be a lie. Lenin wears a collar, as do many of them. Yet it would be just a lie, or a joke like Padewski's about their antipathy to people who use tooth-brushes.

The origin of the collar is not difficult to guess. Originally it must have been the part of the shirt which showed above the tie, when the tie really was a tie—a thing to tie it to keep that part of the shirt in order. Naturally that part of the shirt would droop over the tie. It would be noticed that by emphasising the droop, the tie was made to do its work better. So gradually the points, or wings, or pokes of the Byronic collar evolved. How the starch came is not so easy a question. Not to be greedy, and grab all the pleasure of such philosophic reflections, we will leave it to *China Mail* readers to solve for themselves.

The function of shoes is plain enough, though even there we allow them to "tyrannise" over us, where the function ceases, and inhuman mothers put baby feet that do not walk into useless imitations of the foot shields. The use of the sock also is recognizable, and of the hat.

The other garments proclaim their purpose, and serve it more or less well. Only the collar lacks reason, and since the invention of the button, the tie. We know why we wear them. It is because we were taught to wear them. We know why we go on wearing them, after we see their purposelessness and uselessness and utter lack of excuse. It is because no one likes to be the first to appear peculiar, eccentric.

Why? So at last we come to something that has more force than reason. We seem to have come up against an instinct, to have found one of Kant's Categorical Imperatives. Man is a gregarious animal, and gregariousness favours uniformity. The *Difference* may perchance be the Stranger, and from time immemorial the stranger has been the possible Enemy. For millions of years man has been challenging. *Qui vive?* That is why, for all his talk of civilization, he is still more *Homo sapiens* than *Homo ferus*.

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If we thought the Bolsheviks really did hate and despise collars, we would try to think more kindly of them. In spite of the rest of their Bolsheviks, we should almost be able to respect them.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL EXHIBITS IN HONGKONG.

"The proper study of mankind" said Pope, "is man," and there isn't a more interesting study in life than ethnology, anthropology, paleontology—call it what you like—anology that has bearing on the history and development of our own genus. Two Dutch journalists, Messrs. A. Rebel and C. Jonker, are opening a little exhibition at the Astor House Hotel to-morrow week (Saturday, May 24), which should interest all those who are interested in the pleasure of such philosophic reflections; we will leave it to *China Mail* readers to solve for themselves.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

To-day's dollar is worth 3s 6d 7½d.

To-day's return shows six cases of plague.

No less than 21 ocean-going steamers entered Harbour yesterday.

Latest shipping arrivals include *Siam Maru*, *Tsugaru*, *Shidzuoka Maru*, *Fausang* and *Hokuto Maru*.

The wedding of Flag-Lieut. R. B. Fenton Livingstone, of Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Tudor's staff, and Miss Eleanor Günsalus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Günsalus, of Singapore, was to have taken place at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on Wednesday, May 14.

British Malaya has just bid goodbye to one of the most distinguished Europeans in the Peninsula—Lieut-Col. Sir Arthur Adams, Commandant of the Penang Volunteer Corps, member of the Straits Legislative Council, Chairman of the United Malay Council, the leading barrister in Malaya, and a thoroughly popular man. Sir Arthur Adams left for Home on the P. & O. s.s. *Nellie*.

In view of the recent continued fall of the Kirin Provincial notes and small silver coin notes, the Kirin authorities suspended the entire deals in currency, both spot and future for five days from April 26th under the belief that the steady decline of the currency was due to the cunning manipulations of money exchangers.

It is believed that, during the five days, the authorities intend to devise some means of relief.

The representatives of the Shantung Diplomatic Council, the Chinese Guild, and the Congressmen hailing from Shantung, seven in number, called on Premier Chien on May 1, and asked for information about the progress of the Shantung problems at the Peace Conference at Paris. The Premier stated in reply that no instruction to make a concession thereto would be given to the Chinese Peace Delegation at Paris.

Kwoheliuktu, arch-leader of the anti-Japanese agitations in the Hunan District was put under arrest on April 29 by the Chinese authorities. He once avowed his allegiance to the Japanese Government and visited Seoul at the head of a sightseeing party. He changed his attitude later and rallied Korean undisciplined and played an active part in the Korean agitations. He is expected to be surrendered shortly to the Japanese authorities.

On closer examination concerning the recent conflagration at Yokohama, it was found that there were 13 seriously injured and 61 slightly injured, and that the extent of damage was about £10,000,000. The sufferers from the fire mainly consisted of middle-class people. A relief station was opened to distribute rice balls to the more indigent victims. The Imperial Court despatched a chamberlain to the city to inspect how the victims were faring.

The King has granted authority to wear the decorations, conferred in recognition of valuable services rendered to the Republic of China—Order of the Excellent Crop—Second Class—Mr. C. A. V. Bowra. Third Class—Messrs. R. H. R. Wade, G. F. Acheson. Fourth Class—Messrs. J. H. W. Houstoun, C. Thorne, L. Sanderson, W. H. C. Weippert, R. F. C. Hedeland. Fifth Class—Messrs. W. J. Hewett, R. H. Douglas, L. W. C. Lorden, C. D. Arnott. Sixth Class—Messrs. E. C. Tregillus, E. Molloy, F. G. Becke, A. Morrison, G. Knox, H. E. Sandy, J. W. H. John, P. L. Raeburn, and T. Mellows.

BIG OPIUM SEIZURE.

Recently at the Changchun Railway Station, two large boxes were presented to be booked for Mukden, and the contents were stated to be salted trout. The officials of the Station thought that the boxes were rather heavy for salted fish, and weighing them, it was found that, while the forwarding agents, who had sent the boxes, had declared the total weight of the two boxes at 362 pounds, it was actually one hundred pounds more. They examined the contents and found the salted fish all right enough, but on closer inspection, sixty-nine tins of opium were found at the bottom and corners of the boxes. The total weight of the opium contained was 4340 lbs, estimated at 150,000 yen.

The matter was immediately reported to the Changchun Police. The Forwarding Agents, who had brought the boxes to the station, declared that they had been entrusted to them for shipment by a Chinese named Hsu.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS.

AMERICAN BANKS IN BRITISH CROWN COLONIES.

(Mar. 10.) Sir Clement Kinloch Cole asked the Prime Minister whether, in view of the reported intentions of certain American banks to open branches in British Crown Colonies, His Majesty's Government would be prepared to undertake that conditions were imposed on such banks similar to those imposed on British banking corporations in the State of New York.

Mr. Bonar Law: The suggestion contained in the question will be considered.

JAPANESE COMPETITION WITH LANCASHIRE.

(Mar. 24.) Mr. Waddington asked the President of the Board of Trade, in view of Japanese competition, if he had any proposals to make to assist those engaged in the cotton-spinning and weaving trade of Lancashire to maintain its trade.

Mr. Bridgeman, Parliamentary Secretary, Board of Trade: The Board have no reason to doubt that the efficiency and enterprise of Lancashire will enable foreign competition to be met effectively in the future as in the past. The Board of Trade are giving the matter careful attention, and if the hon. gentleman has any specific proposals to make, my right hon. friend will be glad to be informed of them.

CHINESE COOLIES IN FRANCE.

(Mar. 25.) Mr. Churchill, in reply to Sir A. Full, said that on February 8 there were 80,000 Chinese coolies employed in France, of whom 4,000 were being demobilised, and were under orders to return home.

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE.

Major Newman moved:—That, in the opinion of this House, the delay on the part of the Government to declare its policy for the protection of key industries, for the prevention of dumping, and for Imperial preference, is prejudicial to the reconstruction of trade and industry, to the production of revenue, and to the employment of labour.

At the general election, he said, the Government were given a clear mandate to carry out the fiscal policy put before the country in the manifesto issued by the Prime Minister and Mr. Bonar Law. The man in the street wanted to know when the Government meant to take the necessary measures to prevent the dumping of Japanese and other cheaply-made goods. Japan was a good ally, but we could not allow our trade to be ruined by the cheap labour of Japan. This country produced hostility by operatives who worked twelve hours a day for £1. 6d., and the Japanese millowner ran his mill for 14 hours a week. How were our industry manufacturers going to meet that competition while they ran their mills for 44 hours and paid an average weekly wage of 60s.? Could the Irish cottagers who were makers of hand-made embroidery compete against the low-paid Japanese makers of this embroidery? Export trade was stagnant in this country.

Mr. Bonar Law, in his reply, said he would ask hon. members opposite how it was possible to preserve a high scale of wages in this country if such conditions as were described by the mover of the resolution prevailed, and if cotton goods from Japan were on sale in our markets at a lower price than would pay for the cotton with us. It was sometimes thought that the conditions of trade were going to continue under the new system as they were under the old, but nothing could be more ridiculous than that. They would have to be guided by circumstances, and deal with possible dumping as a war measure.

Mr. Gresham Stewart, Sir Watson Cheyne, Mr. Stephen Walsh, and nine other members of the House of Commons interested in public health questions have summoned a meeting for 24th March. The subject for consideration will be whether any improvement can be made in our administration for the prevention of the spread of venereal disease.

RETURN OF MR. J. D. LLOYD.

Among the officers of the Chinese Labour Corps on the Blue Funnel Steamer Teucer, is 2nd Lieut. J. D. Lloyd of the local Government Service. Mr. Lloyd comes from France where he has been for over a year. He left the Import and Export Department, where he was Acting Superintendent, in November 1917, for Military Service. On his return from Tsingtao he expects to be demobilized in Hongkong. Mr. Lloyd, who is an ex-cadet, will probably be employed in the Supreme Court when furnished with Army service.

THE MAGISTRACY.

(MR. R. O. HUTCHISON'S COURT.)

HAD ALL HER EGGS IN ONE BASKET: DIDN'T WATCH 'EM.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. R. O. Hutchinson this morning with the larceny of a quantity of eggs.

The woman companion was walking along Eastern Street with a basket containing the eggs in one hand; when defendant stole from behind and without her knowledge picked up the eggs from the basket. He would have gone away with it had it not been for a district watchman who saw the whole thing and arrested him.

Defendant pleaded that he was on the foot-path when a small boy gave him the eggs. His Worship did not believe this simple story and ordered accused to undergo six weeks' imprisonment.

A WOMAN IN THE CASE.

A woman in the case, was the suree of Inspector Kent when four Chinese appeared before Mr. Lloyd on a charge of disorderly conduct.

The trouble said Inspector Kent would have led to a real fight, but it had not been for the timely intervention of the Police, who arrived at Wong Nei Chong village just as the defendants and others were going to beat each other with poles.

A Chinese constable stated that the agitators divided themselves into two factions—Hakka on one side and Punti on the other, in all about seventy men, and were shouting defiance at each other when the Police arrived and dispersed the crowd.

First three accused (Hakka) denied having taken part in the fray. Fourth defendant held that he was arrested by mistake.

Inspector Kent informed the Magistrate that if a fight had taken place the Punti would have got the worst of it, as their number was much smaller than the Hakka.

Fourth accused was discharged and the others bound over in personal bonds of \$50 for six months.

ROUTES AND VAGABONDS.

Three months' hard labour each was the sentence on two Chinese youths convicted of being rogues and vagabonds. Defendants were arrested sleeping on the pavement of a street in Yau Ma Tei. Two previous convictions were found recorded against them.

(MR. R. E. LINDSELL'S COURT.)

CHARGE AGAINST MONEY CHANGER.

A Chinese was summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell on the charge of keeping a money-changer's shop without a licence. Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for defendant and applied for a remand which was granted.

MARINE COURT.

(BEFORE CAPTAIN BASIL TAYLOR, R.N.)

CERTIFICATE SUSPENDED.

This morning Chan Ng Tai, master of Union Waterboat No. 2, was charged with fouling the sturboor anchor of the fumigating bulk, Adore, whilst steering his boat on May 11.

Mr. J. Robertson gave evidence that defendant's boat's anchor fouled the other anchor and that he neglected to report the matter to his employer.

The table was screened with models of the boats, etc., to illustrate the situation, which it was pointed out might have had serious results had a strong wind sprung up. Defendant admitted this.

Captain Taylor suspended the defendant's certificate for one month.

FRENCH INDO-CHINA AND JUTE.

For some years France has tried its best to obtain some share of the jute trade, and the matter is again receiving considerable attention. An influential Paris newspaper points out that London is the only market for jute, and asks whether France has any hope of freeing itself from this British monopoly. In the past some efforts towards this end have been made in Indo-China, but with poor results, because of a total of 122,000 tons required by the French factories, Indo-China accounted for only 81 tons. The newspaper thinks that France should encourage the cultivation of sisal in Algeria and Tunis, the tara palm in Madagascar, and the raffia palm in the Congo. But it is admitted that all the fibres from these sources taken together could not pretend to release jute completely, the quantities produced being quite insufficient. Besides, their qualities are such that they are far from being capable of filling the uses to which jute is put in the world to-day. In France, it may be mentioned, there are several jute-growing centres.

S.S. "TEUCER."

The Blue Funnel Line S.S. Teucer, (C. & W. Alliance), which left Liverpool on April 5 arrived here at 10 a.m. yesterday with mails. She also carried a general cargo and a large number of reprinted copies for Tsingtao. Several Chinese Labour Corps officers are in charge of the contingent.

TYPING.

The typist, Mrs. Constance Maudie, observed May 15, 1919, direction was received from General Observers.

THE STRAITS CIVIL SERVICE.

THE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

The Singapore Free Press says:—

There are many who believe that Sir John Bucknill, the President of the recent Civil Service Commission, exercised a very wise and judicial discretion in going on leave before his *magnum opus* was issued to the public. No living man, and certainly no body of Straits men, could have hoped to escape criticism in attempting to deal with the complicated question of a suitable rate of pay for every department, or in attempting to equalise the chances of promotion in the small department as in the large. But as one of the chief matters the Commission had to report upon was the alleged great difference between the remuneration of men in Government Service and those of a similar capacity in civil life, one might have expected some attempt to meet that difference, making, of course, all due allowance for the additional advantage to Government people of a certain security of tenure and of advantages while on the active list or on the retired list. There is a striking instance of failure in this respect with regard to a department where the conditions are not dissimilar to outside service, in the Government Marine Survey Department. According to the recommendation of the Commission, the assistant surveyors of ships commence at \$400 a month and rise by annual increments to \$475. A surveyor goes from \$475 to \$600. Now at the present moment the engineers on local boats are claiming, and have a good chance of securing a minimum of \$500 a month, and the Masters of ships are claiming and are actually being paid the same sum. The Government men have had to be chief engineers in the merchant service, and in addition are required to have theoretical knowledge gained by technical college training or private tuition in engineering and naval architecture. Several of them have been long in the service, and the prospect of having to remain at \$475 a month till a vacancy occurs in a small department of six or seven officers does not appear to us to be overwhelmingly attractive. What will happen, we suppose, is that there will be a difficulty in recruiting the best men for the work, and then the department will be weak, as in the case of the scholastic department. There is a curious anomaly in the report itself which ought to be explained.

In the Mines Department there are engineers, of very much the same standing in their profession as the assistant surveyors, having rather less involved questions to deal with, and these officials start at \$400 a month and rise by annual increments of \$20 a month to \$600. Of course we are dealing with this matter entirely from the salaries point of view.

There may be amenities or allowances which make the posts more or less attractive, but it certainly seems that if the engineers of ships are to draw \$500 a month in the open market, the men who often have to advise and supervise and inspect their engines and ships, the engineer surveyors, are not likely to stay on less pay. This is little advantage to the men who have grown old in the service. The system of adding approximately forty per cent to present salaries meets an additional cost of living, but it does not bring Government salaries in all cases level with those drawn by men in similar posts outside.

Kid Sullivan, of the American Army, was unable to get overseas leave to meet Alf Mansfield at the Ring in a twenty rounds bout, and so Gomer Perkins, of Wales, won the eleventh round, but there was very little in the end of the ninth round.

Wilde was the better of some fierce exchanges in the tenth round, but towards the end was shaken badly by a right swing.

Wilde certainly won the eleventh round, but there was very little in the next.

Lynch made desperate efforts to obtain a knockout in the last three rounds, but Wilde was too clever for him, and the Welshman won on points.

PERKINS BEATS MANSFIELD.

WYE WINS AT HOXTON.

Alf Wye, the ex-amateur bantam weight champion, who recently returned from Palestine, easily beat Bill Beynon (Wales) on points at Hoxton Baths. Beynon substituted for Danny Morgan.

Boxing in fine open style, Wye was much cleverer than the Welshman. Beynon crouched all through and tried to get in close, but Wye used his left hand with judgment and skill.

BANK OF ENGLAND.

EXCESS PROFITS FOR THE STATE.

A patriotic decision was announced by Sir Brian Cowen as chairman of the general Court of the Bank of England. Having stated that the profits of the half-year ended Feb. 28 last were £507,251, and that after providing for a dividend of 5 per cent less income-tax, the "rest" will be £3,019,600, Sir Brian con-

tinued:—

You are no doubt aware that for some time past the question of the Bank's charges for Government business throughout the war has necessarily been under consideration.

You will be pleased to hear that the matter has been settled in a manner satisfactory to both parties by the Bank agreeing to account to the Government for the whole of their excess profits up to and including the half-year just ended. I am confident that the Bank is the last institution in the world which would wish to make large war profits out of the public purse, and that the proprietors would prefer to contribute themselves on having rendered considerable service to the State during the war at a minimum cost to the Exchequer.

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BOXING NOTES.

GREAT VICTORY FOR JIMMY WILDE.

There was a brilliant gathering,

including the Prince of Wales and Prince Albert, at the National Sporting Club recently when the great match between Jimmy Wilde and Joe Lynch resulted in a victory for Wilde on points in fifteen rounds.</

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MARSEILLES & LONDON.

VIA STRAITS, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.

S.S.	Leave Hong Kong about	Due Marseilles about	Due London about
NEURALIA	29th May at Noon	30th June	8th July
NOVARA	7th August	9th Sept.	18th Sept.

FOR BOMBAY VIA STRAITS AND COLOMBO.

DILWARA	23rd May	Arr. Bombay about
		10th June

FOR CALCUTTA VIA STRAITS AND RANGOON.

ARATTOON APCAR	Early June	Due Calcutta June.

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HOKUTO MARU on 21st June.
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BURMA MARU Monday, 26th May.

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HAWAII MARU Sunday, 18th June.

BOMBAY COLOMBO—Regular fortnightly service via Singapore.

GANGES M. R. Saturday, 24th May.
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SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI	CHIANGKOU May 18, at Noon.	KADONG May 20, at 10 a.m.
CHEFOU & TIENSIN	CHIANGKOU May 20, at Noon.	CHIANGKOU May 20, at Noon.
PARKHOL & HAIFI NG.	PAKHO May 22, at Noon.	PAKHO May 22, at Noon.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	YUNGHOW May 25, Daylight.	YUNGHOW May 25, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	YUNGHOW May 25, at Noon.	YUNGHOW May 25, at Noon.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	YUNGHOW May 25, at Noon.	YUNGHOW May 25, at Noon.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	HUPIN May 26, at Noon.	YUNGHOW May 25, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	TEAN May 27, at Noon.	YUNGHOW May 25, at Noon.
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	CHOYSANG SUNDAY, May 18, Daylight.
MANILA	WINGHSANG MONDAY, May 19, at 3 p.m.
	KUMSANG WEDNESDAY, May 21, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	TUNGSHING FRIDAY, May 23, at 3 p.m.
	YUENHSING SATURDAY, May 24, at 3 p.m.
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SAILINGS FOR

MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

Steamers	Leave Hongkong about	Due MARSEILLES about	Due LONDON about
NEARLIA	28th May, at Noon	30th June	5th July
NOVARA	5th August	9th Sept.	16th Sept.

S.S.	Leave Hongkong about	due	Bombay about
DILWARA	23rd May	10th June	

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Nagasaki, Kobe & *Tango Maru, 13,760 tons SATURDAY, 24th May, at 11 a.m.
Yokohama *Nikko Maru, 9,900 tons SATURDAY, 21st June, at 11 a.m.

London & Antwerp via Spore, *Shiono Maru, 12,520 tons FRIDAY, 18th May, at Noon.
Penang, Colombo, Suez & *Kaga Maru, 15,300 tons SATURDAY, 31st May, at Noon.
Port Said.

Melbourne via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday 14, Townsville, Brisbane, & Sydney *Akai Maru, 12,300 tons WEDNESDAY, 21st May, at 11 a.m.
*Tatsuno Maru, 14,930 tons TUESDAY, 27th May.
(Cargo only)

New York via Japan *Kirin Maru, 7,760 tons SATURDAY, 24th May.
Bombay via Singapore & Colombo *Kirin Maru, 7,760 tons SATURDAY, 24th May.

Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon *Tenzan Maru, 11,000 tons MONDAY, 19th May.
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Colombia	Facile Mail S.S. Co.	On 21st May, at Noon.	On 2nd June.
China	Chiu Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 14th June.	About 15th June.
Nanking	The Admiral Line	On 22nd May.	On 23rd June.
Western Empire	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 21st June.	On 22nd June.
Seattle, Phila., Victoria & San Francisco	Africa Maru	Canadian O.S. Ltd.	On 21st June.
Victoria, B.C., & Seattle & Tacoma	Fushimi Maru	Canadian O.S. Ltd.	On 21st June.
Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle & Tacoma	Empress of Asia	Canadian O.S. Ltd.	On 21st June.
Victoria, B.C., & Seattle via Shai, &c.	Empress of Japan	Canadian O.S. Ltd.	On 21st June.
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan, &c.	Nankin Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 1st June.
Sydney & Melbourne	Aki Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 21st May, at 11 a.m.
Australian Ports via Manila	Kyo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 12th July.
Australian Ports via Japan	Tango Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 24th May, at 11 a.m.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Mishima Maru	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 6th June.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Choyang	Butterfield & Swire	On 18th May, Dlight.
Shanghai	Cheian	Butterfield & Swire	On 13th May, at Dlight.
Haiphong	Dejima	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 21st May.
Tiektao	Dejima	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 24th May.
Swatow, Wellesley, Chefoo & Tientsin	Kuinchow	Butterfield & Swire	On 18th May, at Noon.
Swatow & Bangkok	Changchow	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 19th May, at 10 a.m.
Swatow via Swatow and Amoy	Kuio Maru	Douglas, Larwick & Co.	On 20th May, at 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Riugan Maru	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	On 21st May, at 3 p.m.
Java	Dilwara	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	On 21st May.
Strait & London	Dilwara	P. & O. S.N. Co.	On 28th May.
Singapore, Colombo & Bombay	Dilwara	P. & O. S.N. Co.	End of May.
Penang, Colombo & Port Said	Dilwara	P. & O. S.N. Co.	On 1st May at Noon.
Bombay & Colombo	Dilwara	P. & O. S.N. Co.	On 1st June.
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THE Homeward Mail Steamer Dilwara

carrying His Majesty's Mail will

be detached from this port on or about

2nd May taking cargo for the above

ports. Passengers' accommodation in the

connecting vessel is secured when available

before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuable Cargo for Italy,

France and London (under arrangement

will be conveyed in this steamer

proceeding via Bombay and were

transhipped to the returning steamer

for Marseilles and London.

Passenger will be received at this office

until 1 p.m. the day before sailing. The

contents and value of all packages are

required.

For further particulars, sailing dates

etc. apply to

MACRINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

AND

ORINA MUTUAL STEAM

NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES for Company's Steamer:

"TEUCHER."

are hereby notified that the cargo will

be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon,

where it will be at Consignee's risk.

The cargo will be ready for delivery from

Godown on and after May 15.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless

notice has been given prior to steamer's

arrival.

Consignees are hereby notified that they must produce an

COMPANY REPORTS.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the fiftieth ordinary meeting to be held on May 22:

The Directors have now the pleasure to submit their Annual Report and Statement of the Company's Account made up to the December 31, last.

1917 Account.—This account shows a net profit on working of \$452,600.13 which sum it is proposed to apportion as follows:

Dividend of \$7.00 and Bonus of \$2.00 per Share on 20,000 shares \$180,000.00
To add to Reinsurance Fund \$130,000.00 130,000.00
To write off Furniture Account 1,425.00
To carry forward to Underwriting Suspense A/c 41,175.13
\$452,600.13

1918 Account.—The Balance at Credit of this Account is \$1,083,677.09

DIRECTORS:

Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. J. A. Plummer retire by rotation and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS:

The annexed accounts have been audited by Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown who offer themselves for re-election.

P. H. HOLYOAK,
Chairman.

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1917.

ON DECEMBER 31, 1918.

DR.

Net Premia Received, Less Returns and Reinsurances \$1,255,373.00
Interest and Dividends 176,336.51

\$1,431,709.51

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Losses and Claims \$745,172.05
Charges 107,793.49
Directors' and Auditors' Fees 8,000.00
Commission 112,143.84
Balance 452,600.13

\$1,431,709.51

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1918.

ON DECEMBER 31, 1918.

DR.

Net Premia Received, Less Returns and Reinsurances \$1,681,188.48
Interest and Dividends 184,656.36

\$1,865,844.84

LOSS AND CLAIMS.

\$449,319.63
158,364.50
8,000.00
166,833.62
1,083,677.09

\$1,865,844.84

BALANCE SHEET, December 31, 1918.

LIABILITIES:

Capital Account—
20,000 Shares of \$100 each, \$20 per share paid up \$400,000.00
Reserve Fund 1,000,000.00
Extra Reserve Fund £25,000 148,377.12
Reinsurance Fund Account 835,357.59
Underwriting Suspense Account 243,052.82
Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account 292,351.75
Sundry Creditors 196,856.58
Working Account 1917 Balance 452,600.13
Working Account 1918 Balance 1,083,677.09

\$4,752,273.08

ASSETS.

Cash at Bankers on Current and Deposit A/c—
Silver \$1,168,879.03
Sterling £ 45,065 1 0 267,464.90
Investments—
In Silver Securities 1,275,179.84
In Sterling Securities £ 75,199 12 6 446,316.17

£120,264 13 6

Loans on Mortgages—
On Properties in Hongkong \$656,250.00
On Properties in Shanghai 149,253.73

805,503.73

Furniture Account—
Office Furniture, &c. 1,425.00

Sundry Debtors:—

787,504.41

\$4,752,273.08

STERLING EXCHANGE taken at 3/4 7/16.

P. H. HOLYOAK,
S. H. DODWELL, Directors.

C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report to the shareholders at the fifty-third ordinary meeting to be held at the Company's Offices at 12.45 p.m. on Thursday May 22, 1919. The Board has now to lay before the Shareholders a Balance Sheet containing a summary of the property and liabilities of the Company on December 31 1918, and a statement of Accounts, together with the sterling equivalents, to the same date.

1917 Account.—After payment of the interim dividend of \$6 per share and the bonus of 20% to contributors passed at the last annual meeting, there remains a balance of \$1,581,208.72 as per annexed statement. The Board recommends that this sum be appropriated as follows:

A final dividend to shareholders of \$8 per share on 24,000 shares \$192,000.00

An addition to Reserve Fund of £5,208.68 @ exchange 3/4 7/16 in order to bring the Fund, after conversion of the Silver Reserve Fund into Sterling @ Exchange 3/4 7/16, up to £165,000.00 30,911.90

An addition to the Reinsurance Fund of £120,000 @ Exchange 3/4 7/16 712,210.20

To write off Leasehold Property Account £5,000 @ Exchange 3/4 7/16 29,675.42

To be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the account for the year 1917 616,411.20

\$1,581,208.72

1918 Account.—The Balance of Working Account on the 31st December 1918, was \$2,983,102.41 as per annexed statement. The Board recommends that an interim dividend of \$6 per share be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$144,000 and that a bonus of 20% be paid to contributors, absorbing about \$125,000 and that the remainder be carried forward.

DIRECTORS:

Since the last General Meeting Mr. G. T. Edkins has resigned his seat on leaving the Colony and Mr. R. Ross Thomson of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire has joined the Board.

In accordance with Clause 79 of the Articles of Association Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. J. A. Plummer retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS:
Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

P. H. HOLYOAK,
Chairman.

HONGKONG, 22nd April, 1919.

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1917.

ON DECEMBER 31, 1918.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Nett Premium	723,229	8	2	4,292,428	01	01
" Interest	48,289	18	9	256,604	90	
CREDIT.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Agency Commissions	15,426	15	5	91,559	19	
" Head Office, Branches and Agency Charges	51,900	18	8	308,036	44	
" Remuneration to Directors, Committees and Auditors	2,173	4	9	12,889	35	
" Losses and Claims paid	398,606	2	6	2,365,761	23	
Bonus of 20% paid to Contributors	468,107	1	4	2,778,255	22	
" Interim Dividend of \$6 per Share	24,262	9	10	144,000	00	
" Balance	266,417	4	0	1,581,208	72	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Total	£771,519	6	11	£4,579,032	91	

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1918.

ON DECEMBER 31, 1918.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Nett Premium	756,786	11	9	4,550,943	57	
" Interest	52,243	3	1	310,067	56	
By Agency Commissions	32,453	0	9	192,611	55	
" Head Office, Branches and Agency Charges	60,012	17	3	356,181	43	
" Remuneration to Directors, Committees and Auditors	2164	11	2	12,846	84	
" Losses and Claims paid	230,935	3	1	1,311,268	90	
" Balance	503,464	2	7	2,988,102	41	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Total	£819,029	14	10	£4,861,011	13	

BALANCE SHEET.

DECEMBER 31, 1918.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Capital 24,000 Shares of \$33.33 each=\$2,000,000 upon which £25 per share called and paid up	101,093	15	0	600,000	00	00
Reserve Fund—£159,791.13 4—159,791.13 4—943,377	12					
Reinsurance Fund £193,751.18 1—193,751.18 1—1,149,929	14					
Underwriting Suspense Account 65,786 2 4 390,446 18						
Exchange Fluctuation Account 7,488 8 7 44,444 47						
Investment Fluctuation Account 36,656 8 11 217,559 13						
Working Account 1917 Balance 266,417 4 0 1,581,208 72						
" 1918 503,464 2 7 2,988,102 41						
Sundry Creditors 28,068 3 10 166,587 14						
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Total	£1,362,517	0	3	£8,086,654	31	

LEASEHOLD PROPERTY.

307,978 6 7 1,827,877 57

£1,362,517 0 3 £8,086,654 31

Sterling Exchange taken at 3/4 7/16.

P. H. HOLYOAK,

STANLEY H. DODWELL, Directors.

C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Auditors.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1919.

ALLEGED FORGING OF A DEED.

HEALTHY CHINESE WOMAN CHARGED.

A case which created a great deal of interest among the wealthier class of Chinese, was heard by Mr. E. E. Lindell, at the Magistracy, yesterday, when Leung Wai Ching, a woman of

AVIATION INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

POWERFUL COMBINATIONS.

The Aviation Insurance Association has been formed to accept at home and abroad all risks in connection with both heavier and lighter air craft. The association consists of underwriting members of Lloyd's, Eagle, Star and British Dominions Insurance Co., Ltd., and the Excess Insurance Co., Ltd. The business will be controlled by a committee of five, consisting of Messrs. C. Campbell, J. E. Duder, and George Simmonds (all of Lloyd's), Sir Edward M. Mountain (chairman of the Eagle, Star and British Dominions Insurance Co., Ltd.), and Mr. Herbert E. Heath (of Lloyd's) and chairman of the Excess Insurance Co., Ltd.

The committee have appointed as manager Mr. Horatio Barber, A.F.A.C.S., F.R.G.S., and offices have been opened at No. 1 Royal Exchange Avenue E.C.

The formation of the association is the result of an increasing demand for aviation insurance, and underwriters consider that this will be best served by a strong association having the resources necessary to create an expert and world wide organisation. No effort will be spared in producing forms of policies and rates of premiums to meet trade and other requirements.

A preliminary prospectus and proposal forms for the various risks undertaken will be issued this week, and will be forwarded upon request.

YOUR OWN AEROPLANE FOR £350.

Flying promises to be as cheap as motoring in the near future. The Blackburn Aeroplane Co., of Leeds, is producing a 2 seater machine with a 46 h.p. Gnat A.B.C. engine for £350. "It is expected that this machine will appeal to the young sportsman whose sporting instinct is more fully developed than his banking account," said an official of the firm to an interviewer. It has been our aim to produce a sound machine which will sell at a low figure and which will cost no more to maintain than the ordinary touring motor-car. "Two people will be able to sit side by side in a comfortably upholstered cockpit, and the machine will be capable of 95 miles an hour on a petrol consumption of approximately 3½ gallons per hour." The same company has completed its plans for starting aeroplane services between Leeds, Liverpool, and Belfast; Leeds and Hull, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, and Antwerp; and from Hull to Christiania, Stockholm, and Copenhagen. They have also received orders from Yorkshire business men for private machines capable of flying to Petrograd, Marseilles, Turin, and Naples. The machine which will be used for these long distance flights will be the Kangaroo, a twin-engine machine largely employed in the Air Force for anti-submarine and coastal patrol work. It can carry two passengers and about half a ton of mails or goods a distance of 700 miles at an average speed of 95 miles an hour under normal weather conditions. Similar machines are to be used for seaside joy-rides.

SINGAPORE RUBBER SHARE MARKET.

MESSRS. FRASER & CO.'S QUOTATIONS.

SINGAPORE. April 26.			
Alor Gajah (\$1)	3.23	3.45	
Amal Malay (p.d.)	2.25	2.40	
Ayer Hitam (\$5)	12.00	13.00	
Ayer Kuning (\$1)	1.20	1.30	
Ayer Molek (\$1)	2.40	2.50	
Ayer Panas (\$5)	11.00	11.50	
Balgowla (\$1)	6.00	5.25	
Bassett (\$1)	0.95	1.05	
Batang Beur (\$10)	13.75	14.50	
Batu Lintang (\$10)	0.75	1.00pm	
Bukit Jelobong (\$1)	0.50	0.70	
Bukit Kati (\$1)	1.00	1.10	
Bukit Kepong (\$2)	2.55	2.75	
Bukit K. B. (\$1)	0.65	0.75	
Bukit Timah (\$10)	11.00		
Changkat S'dang (\$5)	8.00	8.25	
Glenally Pms. (\$1)	2.25	2.50	
Haylor (\$5)	7.00	8.00	
Indragiri (\$5)	7.55	7.50	
Jaram (\$1)	1.40	1.50	
Jumah (\$1)	1.80	1.90	
Kamisan (\$8)	4.25	4.75	
Kedah (\$1)	3.45	3.65d	
Kelomak R. (\$5)	6.00	6.35	
Kempas (\$2)	7.50	8.10	
Kluang (\$5)	5.75	6.10	
Loues (\$5)	7.50	8.25	
Makala Piada	2.60	2.70	
Malakoff (\$2)	4.45	4.00	
Malim-Tekong (\$1)	0.75	0.85	
Mergui (\$5)	6.75	6.25	
New Serendah (\$2)	3.90	4.15	
Nyalas (\$5)	7.35	8.10	
Pajam (\$5)	12.70	13.25	
Pandal (\$1)	1.20	1.40	
Parit Perak (\$1)	2.45	2.55d	
Perak River (\$1)	—	4.00	
Pulau Balung (\$10)	—	—	
Pungkor (\$1)	0.85	0.75	
Rodale (\$5)	10.50	11.00	
Sandaycroft (\$2)	3.85	4.00	
Soudan (\$5)	7.55	7.75	
Sembong (\$1)	0.95	0.85	
Senggi Bagan (\$5)	3.40	3.75d	
Sungi Patani (\$1)	0.45	0.55pm	
Tambakal (\$1)	0.90	1.05	
Tapah (\$10)	10.50	17.50	
Teluk Anson (\$5)	11.00	12.00	
Temouch (\$1)	1.15	1.30	
Terbilgar (\$2)	1.15	1.30	
Cla Paudan (\$1)	0.80	0.90	
United Malacca (\$1)	1.35	1.45	
Usin Simpan (\$1)	3.00	3.30	

BABY'S OWN TABLETS.

MAGICAL IN TEETHING.

Every parent knows the worries that come when the baby is teething. Many parents have found in Baby's Own Tablets help almost magical in its prompt efficiency at this time.

An Official Analyst's certificate goes with every vial of the Tablets guaranteeing that they contain no opiate or narcotic. Perfectly harmless to even the youngest infant, they soothe and promote sleep simply because they help nature to set wrong conditions right.

Baby's Own Tablets gently regulate the teething cure, removing indigestion, colic, diarrhoea, and generally helping to infants and children of all ages expel worms, break up simple fever and colds. Of chemists also post free, 60 cents the vial, from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 98 Szechuan Road, Shanghai.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, 16th MAY, 1919.
OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

BAKER.				
Hongkong Bank	—	670	sc.	
Marine Insurance	—	—		
Canton Ins.	—	845	d.	
North China Ins.	—	1,220	b.	
Union Ins.	—	1,100	b.	
Yangtze Ins.	—	830	b.	
Far Eastern	—	730	b.	
TIME INSURANCE.	—	—		
China Fire Ins.	—	810	n.	
Hongkong Fire Ins.	—	855	b.	
SHIPPING.	—	—		
Donghai	—	65	b.	
H.K. Steamship	—	891	b.	
Indo-China (Pvt.)	—	82	b.	
Do. (Dcl.)	—	810	b.	
Shell Transports	—	170	b.	
Star Ferries	—	—		
RAILWAYS.	—	—		
China Sugars	—	819	b.	
Mainland Sugars	—	834	b.	
MINING.	—	—		
Kailan Mining Adm.	—	50	b.	
Langkawi	—	—		
Shanghai Loans	—	15	b.	
Shai Explorations	—	—		
Ramboi	—	83	b.	
Tronoh Min.	—	—		
Ural Caspians	—	35	b.	
DOCKS, WHARFS, &c.	—	—		
Do. Wharfs	—	834	b.	
H. & E. Wharfs	—	181	b.	
Shai Docks	—	125	b.	
New Engineering	—	124	b.	
LANDS, HOUSES & BUILDINGS.	—	—		
Central Estates	—	8107	b.	
Hongkong Lands	—	109	b.	
Land Reclamation	—	848	b.	
West Point	—	872	b.	
COTTON MILLS.	—	—		
Two Cottons	—	725	b.	
Kung Yik	—	733	b.	
Laot Kung Mows	—	160	n.	
Orionals	—	181	b.	
Shanghai Cottons	—	173	b.	
Yangtzejee	—	101	b.	
MISCELLANEOUS.	—	—		
Cements	—	872	b.	
China-Borneo	—	8192	b.	
China Lights Old	85	& New	105	b.
China-Provident	—	873	b.	
Dairy Farms	—	850	b.	
H.K. Electrics	—	878	b.	
Macao Do.	—	834	b.	
Hongkong Ropes	—	834	b.	
H.K. Tramways (Old)	—	861	b.	
do. (New)	—	856	b.	
Steam Laundries	—	832	b.	
H.K. Steel Foundry	—	815	b.	
Water-boats	—	813	b.	
Watsons	—	86	b.	
Fowells	—	812	b.	
Wisemens	—	812	b.	

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, May 16, 1919.			
On London—			
Bank, Wire	—	5/8	
" On demand	—	3/6	
" 30 days' sight	—	3/6	
" 4 months' sight	—	3/6	
Creditors' 4 months' sight	—	3/7	
Documentary, 4 months' sight	—	3/7	
On Paris—			
On demand	—	511	
Creditors' 4 months' sight	—	528	
On New York—			
On demand	—	827	
Creditors' 90 days' sight	—	842	
On Bombay—			
Wire	—	nom.	
On demand	—	nom.	
On Calcutta—			
Wire	—	nom.	
On demand	—	nom.	
On Singapore—			
On demand	—	150	
On Manila—			
On demand	—	169	
On Shanghai—			
On demand	—	nom.	
30 days' sight (private paper)	—	nom.	
On Yokohama—			
On demand	—	160	
Gold Eft. 100 fine (per tael)	—	41.20	
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 8 5/80	—	6.60	
Silver (per oz.)	—	871/2	
Bar Silver in Hongkong	—	27 1/2	
Chinese Copper Cash	—	3 1/2	
Chinese Copper Cents	—	8 1/2	
Bank of Native Interest	—	7 1/2	
Chinese Sci. Cents	—	8 1/2	
Hongkong Sci. Cents	—	par	

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level			
City of HK & Hill District Water Works	1918	1919	
Reservoir	38 ft. 11 in. below		

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

FRENCH AS AUTHOR.

LONDON, May 2.
The first part of this message was published yesterday.

In his book General French says that owing to the difficulty of finding Lanrezac, he returned to Le Cateau, where late in the evening the climax of his disillusionment was experienced when he received a request from Lanrezac to attack the flank of the German columns then pressing him back. General French says it was difficult to realise what was in Lanrezac's mind when he made such a request and he replied that such an operation was quite impracticable. Describing the events of August 23 General French says he left Smith Dorien with full confidence as regards his men but when he returned to headquarters in the afternoon reports were received from Smith Dorien that he was abandoning the Mons salient, although Smith Dorien need not have feared an imminent turning movement, and his front was nowhere greatly threatened.

Consequently on the arrival of further disquieting reports that evening General French decided on immediate retreat as the situation was now strategically untenable. He pays tribute to the support given by Allenby and Drummond in taking severe pressure off the Fifth Division and the steadiness and skill of Haig and the First Corps. He concludes with a graphic picture of the worn out staff saying: "It makes my blood boil to hear and read the calumnies often heaped on the head of the unfortunate staff."

JAPAN AND KIAOCHOU.

Baron Makino on behalf of the Japanese delegation has issued a statement emphasizing Japan's determination to restore Shantung to China, which will enjoy unrestricted sovereignty over the peninsula; Japan only retaining the economic privileges formerly granted to Germany. As regards the railway, which will be a Sino-Japanese enterprise, the police employed will be composed of Chinese with Japanese instructors to be selected by the Chinese Government.

TRIAL OF TURKS.

LONDON, May 2.
Constantinople reports a great trial by court martial of twelve unionist leaders including the ex-Grand Vizier Said Halim Pasha and ex-Foreign Minister Hall Bey. It opened with the indictment of a lengthy list of atrocities against Armenians and foreshadows the death penalty against Inver Talat and Djimal, who are fugitives and will be tried by default.

TRANSATLANTIC AVIATION.

LONDON, May 2.
The American naval fliers are to start at Trepassy, Newfoundland, and fly via the Azores and Lisbon to Plymouth. A speed of 65 miles an hour is expected. The machines will fly to Newfoundland from Rockaway Beach as a trial trip, stopping at Halifax en route.

PRINCE OF WALES NOW ON THE SQUARE.

LONDON, May 2.
The Prince of Wales was initiated a Freemason in the Household Brigade Lodge. The ceremony was conducted by Prince Arthur of Connaught assisted by Lord Ampthill.

EARTHQUAKE.

LONDON, May 2.
San Salvador reports that 75 were killed and over 500 injured in an earthquake which did extensive damage to the city and district.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

The following is noteworthy in connection with Britain's claim of initiating the labour programme of the League of Nations. Washington reports that Mr. Wilson cabled Mr. Tumult, opining that the labour programme be adopted by the peace conference "constitutes one of the most important achievements of the new day, wherein the interests of labour will be systematically and intelligently safeguarded and promoted. This great step forward may be overlooked amidst the multitude of other interests, yet no other single thing that has been done will help more to stabilize the condition of labour throughout the world and ultimately relieve the unhappy conditions which in many places have prevailed." But I regard this as one of the most gratifying achievements.

THE CHINA SITUATION.

ENGLAND SENT HOME
BY AIR, April 28.
The C. I. C. Remained with his son in London with his wife and children, and the British Government has now decided to bring him home. The nature of his work is such that he cannot leave the country without being liable to imprisonment.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

ANTHRAX.

LONDON, May 2.
In the House of Commons Sir H. Greenwood moved the second reading of the Prevention of Anthrax Bill, empowering the prohibition of the importation of goods infected or likely to be infected by anthrax, the compulsory disinfection of infected wool and similar goods, and the establishment of a State works for the disinfection of infected goods at importers' cost. Sir H. Greenwood said despite all precautions, the number of cases of anthrax in the wool and allied trades had steadily increased. The Bill was based on the unanimous recommendation of a committee representing the traders concerned. A process for effectively eliminating the anthrax germ without affecting the material had been discovered. The cost of establishing the first disinfecting station was estimated at over £40,000. As soon as it was erected, it was to start detecting East Indian goat-hair which was one of the sources of infection. Australia and New Zealand had already stampeded the disease. There is every reason to hope other Dominions will prevent the export of infected material. The master will doubtless be referred to the International Health Department which is established under the auspices of the League of Nations. The Bill was read a second time.

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS FOR OVERSEAS FIGHTERS.

LONDON, May 2.
Reuter learns officially that the Government has approved a scheme whereby imperial and overseas ex-officers and men, including those in the imperial forces, will be eligible for financial assistance to pursue courses of higher education at the Universities, in agriculture, also in offices and works in the United Kingdom or elsewhere. The overseas forces included are the South African contingents, the West Indies regiment, the Newfoundland Forestry Corps, the Indian army, and the reserve of officers and temporary officers of the Indian army. The maximum assistance will be £225 yearly, with an additional allowance for wife and children. The committee of management established includes representatives of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and Newfoundland. The committee has arranged tours for officers of the Dominion forces to educational establishments, agricultural, fishing, industrial, mining, and other centres. All public departments, many large businesses and other organisations have co-operated heartily in this endeavour to provide facilities for overseas officers and men.

PROPERTY SALE.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. G. P. Lammet submitted for sale by Public Auction, in his Sales Rooms, by order of the mortgagee, the valuable leasehold property situated at Wing On Street. The property consists of all that piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 185 together with the messuages and buildings thereon known as No. 30 and 32 Wing On Street held for the term of 999 years from the 26th day of June 1843 under a Crown Lease dated the 5th November, 1813. Area, 1,098 square feet or thereabouts. The annual Crown rent is \$16.00.

Mr. G. P. Lammet announced there was a reserve of \$35,000 on the property.

Bidding was brisk the price advancing by \$500 a bid until \$44,000 was reached. This proved to be the limit and the property was knocked down to Mr. Lau Yam Ting.

The China Mail has received a letter from one of China's representatives at the Manila Olympiad. Everything seems to be alright except the tennis. Dr. Teo of Peking failed to turn up which leaves only Ng Sze Kwong and C. Chou as tennis representatives for China. Chou is a "B" Class player and is not expected to win any singles. As the rules provide that both representatives have to win against each of the other nations, it will be seen that China's chance is hopeless in tennis, as our correspondent says.

MOTEL PEOPLE

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NOTICES.

POST OFFICE.

Allied soldiers in the various hospitals in Siberia are badly in need of reading matter. Any books, newspapers, etc., for their use handed in at the G.P.O. will be packed and forwarded to them free.

The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of wireless Telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwas or Mohammorah in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

The insured letter and insured parcels services between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

Until further notice parcels for civil addresses in the provinces of Uinne, Vicenza, Treviso, Padua, Venice and Belluno in Italy will not be accepted for transmission unless posted under the British War Office Permit.

INWARD MAIRS.

SUNDAY, May 18.
Straits—Per ARRATOON APCAR.

OUTWARD MAIRS.

SATURDAY, May 17.
Daien—Per URUSAN MARU 11 a.m.
Straits and Bangkok—Per LINAN 3 p.m.
Strait and India via Calcutta—Per CHARANG 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per CHENAN 5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China—Per CHOYSONG 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, May 18.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per KAIJO MARU 8 a.m.
Swatow, Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin—Per KUICHOW 9 a.m.

MONDAY, May 19.
Straits and Bangkok—Per SUN TAK 9 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per WINGSANG 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, May 20.
Pakhoi and Haiphong—Per KAIFONG 9 a.m.
Swatow, Bangkok—Per CHANG CHOW 11 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per APCAR 11 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per PAKHOL 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAL HONG 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 21.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe, Honshu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per COLOMBIA Registration 9:45 a.m. Letters 10:30 a.m.

THURSDAY, May 22.

Shanghai and North China—Per SUYIANG 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, and Japan via Nagasaki, Honshu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via CANADA—Per AFRICA MARU Registration 10:45 a.m. Letters 11:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, May 23.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Nagasaki, Honshu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per SHINYO MARU Registration 9:45 a.m. Letters 10:30 a.m.

SATURDAY, May 24.

Shanghai and North China—Per YINGCHOW 9 a.m.

MONDAY, May 25.

Swatow and Bangkok—Per HUPEH 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, May 26.

Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN 11 a.m.

THURSDAY, May 28.

Shanghai and North China—Per SUNNING 11 a.m.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAIRS OUTWARD.

For WEEK-DAYS SUMMERS & HOLIDAYS

Tai O 10:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M.

Tai Po 10:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M.

May 15.

SIAIM MARU Jap. 2,822 tons from Singapore, Capt. Watami, O.S.K.

Kowloon Wharf.

SUN TAK Port. 1,145 tons, from K.C. Wan, Capt. Carreiro, Tung Hing, C.I.A.

May 16.

ASIA Chi. 688 tons from Haiphong, Capt. J. H. van den Berg, Wai Hing, C.I.A.

NISSIN MARU Jap. 681 tons from Keelung, Capt. S. Kato, M.B.K., C.S.

May 17.

GOKEZAN MARU Jap. 7 a.m. for Honkobe, M.B.K.

PAK LING Brit. 4 p.m. for Liverpool and Antwerp via Straits and Suez, B. & S.

KWAI WAH Chi. 7 a.m. for Tournai, Wai Hing.

YANGTZE KIANG Chi. 12 noon, for Tousfe, Yuen Cheong Lee.

COLUMBIA Amer. 3,548 tons, from San Francisco, Capt. Nelson, P.M.S., C.S., Kowloon.

ELVIRA STOLT Amer. noon, for Manila, Mollet & Co.

KWANTO MARU Jap. 10:30 a.m. for Canton, Capt. J. Robinson, B. & S.

W.F. BURROWS Amer. 5 p.m. for Ust. Laska via Nagasaki, Admiral Line.

VAN WAERWICK Dutch. 4 p.m. for Belawan via Amoy, J.C.L.

URAYASU MARU Jap. 6 p.m., for Nagasaki, J.K.R.

CHENGAN Brit. 4 p.m. for Canton, B. & S.

MAWAPOURI Brit. 6 p.m. for Wuhu, Moller & Co.

May 18.

YUW YING WA Chi. 6 a.m. for Canton, Cheong Yue.

SHIZUOKA MARU Jap. 6,374 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. E. Ozaki, N.Y.K., A4.

DAITOKU MARU No. 5 Jap. 6 a.m. for Haiphong, O.S.K.

HA TAN Brit. 2 p.m. for Foochow via Watow, D.L.C.

ALICORNE Chi. 5:30 a.m. for Hoi how via Pakhoi, Chiat On.

FROM SHEUNGWAN WESTERN BRANCH P.O.

For WEEK-DAYS SUMMERS & HOLIDAYS

Macau 7:30 A.M. 8:30 A.M. 7:30 A.M.

Canton & T. 1:30 P.M. 1:30 P.M. 1:30 P.M.

Shamian & Sam Kee 6:00 P.M. 6:00 P.M. 6:00 P.M.

Tai Ping 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M.

Tung 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M.

Shak Ki 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M.

King Moon 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M.

Kong Moon 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M.

Kwun Tong 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M. 9:30 P.M.

Wuchow 4:00 P.M. 10:00 P.M. 4:00 P.M.

In the case of Mail closing before 9 a.m. Registration closed at 6 o'clock on the previous evening.

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